

**THE BATTLE AT PORT REPUBLIC.**  
**THE MOST BRILLIANT ACTION OF THE WAR.**

Our Brave Western Men Fight Five Hours Against Five Times their Number.

The Seventh Indiana Charge and Drive the Enemy Like Sheep.

**LIST OF THE KILLED AND WOUNDED.**

FRONT ROYAL, June 15, 1862.

The results of the battle of Port Republic on Monday last, between a portion of Shields's division and Jackson's army, are now ascertained, as near as can be. The names already given are known to be among the killed and wounded, although many classed among the missing are no doubt badly injured; but our troops being compelled to retire before a foe so superior in numbers, and in all other respects except bravery, many were necessarily left on the field whose names could not be ascertained. Of the large number classed as missing, many will doubtless find their way back to their regiments. The force engaged was mostly composed of Western men, who did their duty nobly, as is evidenced by their fighting a few more than five times their number for five hours, and then retreating in order, excepting one or two regiments, which were completely surrounded and compelled to take to the mountains, many of whom made their way back to the division.

The 7th Indiana Regiment did noble duty, holding their position on the right for four hours against a vastly superior force, Col. Gavin repeatedly charging and driving the enemy like sheep. They left Fredericksburg 800 strong, and arrived at Port Republic with only 200, the remainder being left along the route, sick and disabled, and after the fight they numbered about 140, being more than half lost.

The 29th and 6th Ohio Regiments also lost heavily, as may be seen by the list of casualties. The three batteries of artillery, Clark's, Robinson's, and Huntington's, are entitled to great praise for the gallant part they took in the action.

Had the 1st and 2d brigades been enabled to reach the scene of action, an entirely different result would undoubtedly have ensued.

**FROM FORTRESS MONROE.**  
Expedition to Deep Creek—The Union Meeting at Norfolk—A Regiment to be Raised at Portsmouth—A Union Man Murdered.

NORFOLK, Thursday, June 12, 1862.

An expedition was made to Deep Creek yesterday by Major Dodge, who found a Rebel Post-Office there, which had been in line of communication between this place and the Richmond establishment. It was broken up. Deep Creek is fifteen miles south of Norfolk.

Cordiality of feeling is increasing at a most satisfactory rate.

Gen. Viele has been offered the use of a fine house free of rent, and the offer has been accepted. Trade is reviving. A dozen schooners are in port loading or discharging.

The demonstration made yesterday was not as successful as it was anticipated it would be, on account of the absence of Gov. Pierpont, Senator Carlisle, and others, who were expected to address the meeting. A very large procession, however, assembled on the wharf, and learning that the speakers were not coming, marched to Ashland Hall, where an eloquent address was delivered by A. Thomas, esp., of town. Great enthusiasm was manifested.

Capt. Johannes Watson of Portsmouth has received authority to raise a regiment of volunteers for the war.

SURFAX, Thursday, June 12, 1862.

Col. Spear, who has been scouring the country between this place and the Blackwater River for some days past, brought in last night a Rebel Colonel named Copeland and two citizens belonging to the 11th Virginia Militia.

Yesterday a most brutal murder was committed in Isle of Wight County, near the Blackwater River. The name of the victim was Eliza Langford, a Union man, who was supposed to have given some information to our scouting parties. He was attacked by a number of Southampton Cavalry, and shot down in his own house. Not satisfied with that, these guerrillas bayoneted him limb as he lay, and left him unburied.

It is believed there are no Rebel troops of any consequence this side of the Blackwater River.

FORTRESS MONROE, Friday, June 13, 1862.

Such was the intense heat to-day that two privates were taken with sun-stroke. Both soon recovered, however.

FORTRESS MONROE, Saturday, June 14, 1862.

Gen. Burnside returned to North Carolina this morning.

The steamer Rhode Island arrived to-day from Boston, and sailed for Ship Island.

The weather is exceedingly hot.

It is contemplated to establish a regular line of communication between Norfolk and Newbern via the canal.

From Our Special Correspondent:

FORREST MONROE, June 13, 1862.

Private John McMahon, Company F, 22d Regiment New-York Volunteers, convicted of the murder of private Michael Dolan of the same company, on the 26th of January last, was hanged on the Rip Rap to-day at 12 o'clock. In times like these the taking off of a single private, whether by hanging or in battle, is a small matter, and comparatively hardly worth the record. The convict was a deliberate murderer. In the cell he was indifferent to his fate; on the scaffold his indifference was scarcely less, varied only by a sort of stupification. He died with scarcely a struggle. The unfeeling part of Provost-Marshal Blake was performed with great propriety. Father Phelan of Norfolk attended the doomed man in his cell and on the gallows; but though his labors were faithful and zealous, I conclude that he failed to awaken him to a sense of his dreadful situation.

I presume that few persons have any idea of the extent of the business of the post-office here. Yesterday, between 30,000 and 32,000 letters alone, to say nothing of newspapers, were handled; and upward of 35,000 letters were stamped and mailed, that being the number mailed at the office.

The few days of quiet which the army of the Potowmack had had lately caused an avalanche of letters to come here from the Peninsula, fully proving that ours is an army that reads and writes to an extent the world has never before seen. The enormous business of the post-office requires a large number of clerks, who frequently labor through the night as well as the day, and who ought to be held in perpetual remembrance, particularly by our soldiers.

To keep the run of the different regiments, brigades, and divisions, is the next thing to commanding the entire directory of a city, and yet everything goes on like clock-work and in time. It is but to bear testimony to the promptness with which Mr. Postmaster Green and his efficient assistants do the business of the office, which is now one of the best in the country.

The weather is hot and sultry.

Disasters received to-day at the War Department state that a demonstration was made yesterday evening by a force of Rebel cavalry and artillery on the right flank of Gen. McClellan's army, at Tustal's Station, apparently with the intention of interrupting his railroad communication. The attempt was met by a force of infantry, and the enemy retreated.

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